

# **COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS**

## **Announcement of Import Restraint Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool, Man- Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Sri Lanka**

December 22, 1997.

**AGENCY:** Committee for the  
Implementation of Textile Agreements  
(CITA).

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the  
Commissioner of Customs establishing  
limits.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 1, 1998.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
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(202) 482-4212. For information on the  
quota status of these limits, refer to the  
Quota Status Reports posted on the  
bulletin boards of each Customs port or  
call (202) 927-5850. For information on  
embargoes and quota re-openings, call  
(202) 482-3715.

### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Authority:** Section 204 of the Agricultural  
Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854);  
Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as  
amended.

The import restraint limits for textile  
products, produced or manufactured in  
Sri Lanka and exported during the  
period January 1, 1998 through  
December 31, 1998 are based on limits  
notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body  
pursuant to the Uruguay Round  
Agreement on Textiles and Clothing  
(ATC).

In the letter published below, the  
Chairman of CITA directs the  
Commissioner of Customs to establish  
the 1998 limits. The limits for certain  
categories have been reduced for  
carryforward and special carryforward  
applied to the 1997 limits.

A description of the textile and  
apparel categories in terms of HTS  
numbers is available in the  
**CORRELATION:** Textile and Apparel  
Categories with the Harmonized Tariff  
Schedule of the United States (see  
**Federal Register** notice 62 FR 66057,  
published on December 17, 1997).

**J. Hayden Boyd,**

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the  
Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

**Committee for the Implementation of Textile  
Agreements**

December 22, 1997.

Commissioner of Customs,

*Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC  
20229.*

Dear Commissioner: Pursuant to section  
204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as  
amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order  
11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; and the  
Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and  
Clothing (ATC), you are directed to prohibit,  
effective on January 1, 1998, entry into the  
United States for consumption and  
withdrawal from warehouse for consumption  
of cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend  
and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile  
products in the following categories,  
produced or manufactured in Sri Lanka and  
exported during the twelve-month period  
beginning on January 1, 1998 and extending  
through December 31, 1998, in excess of the  
following levels of restraint:

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit
237 .....	320,758 dozen.
314 .....	4,788,464 square me- ters.
331/631 .....	2,885,524 dozen pairs.
333/633 .....	60,379 dozen.
334/634 .....	635,953 dozen.
335/835 .....	297,004 dozen.
336/636/836 .....	418,883 dozen.
338/339 .....	1,271,907 dozen.
340/640 .....	1,216,593 dozen.
341/641 .....	2,002,582 dozen of which not more than 1,335,055 dozen shall be in Category 341 and not more than 1,335,055 dozen shall be in Category 641.
342/642/842 .....	695,239 dozen.
345/845 .....	190,571 dozen.
347/348/847 .....	1,067,528 dozen.
350/650 .....	132,076 dozen.
351/651 .....	328,802 dozen.
352/652 .....	1,356,701 dozen.
359-C/659-C <sup>1</sup> .....	1,373,102 kilograms.
360 .....	1,596,155 numbers.
363 .....	12,924,324 numbers.
369-D <sup>2</sup> .....	1,027,014 kilograms.
369-S <sup>3</sup> .....	808,601 kilograms.
434 .....	7,351 dozen.
435 .....	15,753 dozen.
440 .....	10,502 dozen.
611 .....	6,251,607 square me- ters.
635 .....	396,006 dozen.
638/639/838 .....	1,008,379 dozen.
644 .....	566,044 numbers.
645/646 .....	226,417 dozen.
647/648 .....	1,213,969 dozen.
840 .....	314,843 dozen.

<sup>1</sup> Category 359-C: only HTS numbers  
6103.42.2025, 6103.49.8034, 6104.62.1020,  
6104.69.8010, 6114.20.0048, 6114.20.0052,  
6203.42.2010, 6203.42.2090, 6204.62.2010,  
6211.32.0010, 6211.32.0025 and  
6211.42.0010; Category 659-C: only HTS  
numbers 6103.23.0055, 6103.43.2020,  
6103.43.2025, 6103.49.2000, 6103.49.8038,  
6104.63.1020, 6104.63.1030, 6104.69.1000,  
6104.69.8014, 6114.30.3044, 6114.30.3054,  
6203.43.2010, 6203.43.2090, 6203.49.1010,  
6203.49.1090, 6204.63.1510, 6204.69.1010,  
6210.10.9010, 6211.33.0010, 6211.33.0017  
and 6211.43.0010.

<sup>2</sup> Category 369-D: only HTS numbers  
6302.60.0010, 6302.91.0005 and  
6302.91.0045.

<sup>3</sup> Category 369-S: only HTS number  
6307.10.2005.

The limits set forth above are subject to  
adjustment pursuant to the provisions of the  
ATC and administrative arrangements  
notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body.

Products in the above categories exported  
during 1997 shall be charged to the  
applicable category limits for that year (see  
directive dated December 20, 1996) to the  
extent of any unfilled balances. In the event  
the limits established for that period have  
been exhausted by previous entries, such  
products shall be charged to the limits set  
forth in this directive.

In carrying out the above directions, the  
Commissioner of Customs should construe  
entry into the United States for consumption  
to include entry for consumption into the  
Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

The Committee for the Implementation of  
Textile Agreements has determined that  
these actions fall within the foreign affairs  
exception of the rulemaking provisions of 5  
U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

J. Hayden Boyd,

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the  
Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

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# **COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS**

## **Announcement of Import Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Taiwan**

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**AGENCY:** Committee for the  
Implementation of Textile Agreements  
(CITA).

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the  
Commissioner of Customs establishing  
limits.

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